

September 20, 2006

Mr. Daniel T. Buckley Campaign Finance Analyst Reports Analysis Division Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20463

Re: American Hospital Association PAC.

FEC ID No. C00106146

Dear Mr. Buckley:

This is in response to your letter dated September 13, 2006 concerning the August Monthly Report (7/1/06 7/31/06) of the above referenced Committee.

You ask about an expenditure for "Polling Services" made by the American Hospital Association PAC (the "Committee"). A portion of the expenditure is an in-kind contribution and has been reported as such on on Schedule B, Line 23.

You also ask about an in-kind contribution of "Polling Services" and its designation to the general election. It is our understanding that the candidate in question received his party's nomination at the party's convention on May 15, 2006, and therefore there was no August 8, 2006 primary held in this district. As a result, the candidate's general election period began on May 16, 2006 and any in-kind made on this date or afterward would be considered a contribution to the general election. The Committee believes its in-kind contribution was therefore reported correctly.

We hope that this information adequately addresses your questions. If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee.

Very truly yours,

Melinda Hatton Treasurer American Hospital Association PAC